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I don't have forty-billion dollars and an army of lawyers to push my case, but I think that reasoning and sheer logic has a chance this time around.

Microsoft it a monopoly. It clearly is. There is no doubting that Microsoft is a monopoly. If you look past the the technical law jargon and the army of lawyers, you can see this clearly. When the US initially set up anti-trust laws, they had companies like Microsoft in mind. They would not let Microsoft go or even let the case be dragged on for a decade. The fact that the case has been dragged on for a decade is yet another obvious peice of evidence that proves Microsoft is a monopoly.

Now, what has Microsoft done for the world? They have made tens of billions of dollars for themselves, almost none of which goes into making an error/bug free operating system. It isn't that hard, really, to make an error free operating system. All you have to do is know what you are doing, take all cases into consideration, and implement the fail-safe devices in the program.

So why does Microsoft still have bugs in their software?

It is because it is good for their business. They take no account of how much humanity could benefit from trouble-free computing, because trouble-free computing isn't good for business. If the open source developers had forty-billion dollars to spend on equipment and employees, the US would accelerate into another greater information age. This information age would be free, everybody could afford a computer, and everybody would know how to use a computer. The current reason why so many people cannot afford a computer is because of Microsoft. They provide 500 dollar operating systems that a free Linux system could send straight to hell in any stability test. Half of the cost of Microsoft's products are marketing costs, which Linux does not need. Open source developers do not have to market, because their products sell (if that is the right word) themselves.

Condemning Microsoft would benefit mankind.